## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## Claims 1 to 9 (Cancelled)

- 10. (Original) A device for testing the level of an analyte comprising:
  - a first barrel having a proximal and distal end;
- a gas or vapor permeable but liquid impermeable barrier situated in the barrel between the proximal and distal ends;
  - a retainer on the distal end; and
- at least one chemical reactive with the analyte in the first barrel between the retainer and the barrier.
- 11. (Canceled)
- 12. (Original) The device of claim 10, wherein the analyte is an aldehyde.
- 13. (Original) The device of claim 12, wherein the aldehyde is either OPA or glutaraldehyde.
- 14. (Original) The device of claim 10, further comprising a means for adjusting the position of said barrier, whereby liquid can only be filled up to the barrier so as to measure a fixed volume of the liquid.
- 15. (Original) The device of claim 10, which further comprises a coupling device to adapt the barrier to the testing device.
- 16. (Original) The device of claim 15, wherein the coupling device comprises an insert.
- 17. (Original) The device of claim 16, wherein the insert is adjustable to position the barrier.

- 18. (Original) The device of claim 15, further comprising a holder to position and secure the coupling device in the testing device.
- 19. (Original) The device of claim 17, further comprising a screw for adjusting the position of the insert.
- 20. (Original) The device of claim 10, which further comprises a second barrel which is in fluid communication with said first barrel by means of a valve.
- 21. (Original) The device of claim 10, further comprising a needle at the distal end.
- 22. (Original) The device of claim 16, wherein said insert is H-shaped in cross-sectional view.
- 23. (Original) The device of claim 16, wherein said insert is U-shaped in cross-sectional view.
- 24. (Original) The device of claim 10, wherein said retainer comprises a valve.
- 25. (Original) The device of claim 10, wherein said gas or vapor permeable but liquid impermeable barrier comprises hydrophobic material.
- 26. (Original) The device of claim 10, wherein said first barrel comprises at least one reactant selected from the group consisting of a salt of bisulfite, a salt of cyanide, hydrazine, hydroxylamine, an amine, and combinations thereof.